

PASTORAL VISIT
OF HIS HOLINESS JOHN PAUL II
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LETTER OF POPE JOHN PAUL II TO PAUL VI INSTITUTE

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To Dr Giuseppe Camadini
President of the Paul VI Institute of Brescia

On the occasion of my visit to Brescia for the conclusion of the centenary celebrations of the birth of the Venerable Servant of God Pope Paul VI, I would like to express a special word of gratitude for the work that the Brescian institute named after him has carried out in its 20 years of intense activity.

With its many scholarly and popular endeavours, the Paul VI Institute has contributed in a significant way to making the value and greatness of Paul VI known in Italy and throughout the world: it has explained his true thinking, his deep love of the Church and mankind, his passion for the proclamation of Christ to contemporary man, his contribution to the Second Vatican Council and its implementation, and his marked sensitivity to culture and art as privileged paths to the truth.

A further example of your efforts is the symposium on Paul VI and ecumenism planned for next week, for which I offer my best wishes.

As I implore the assistance of the Holy Spirit for all the present and future activities of the institute, I gladly impart a special Apostolic Blessing to you and to all who offer their collaboration.

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